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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement mailed May 17, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following species of the claimed invention: Species I, identified by the Examiner as corresponding to Figures 1A-1B; Species II, identified by the Examiner as corresponding to Figure 5; and Species III, identified by the Examiner as corresponding to Figures 6A-6B.

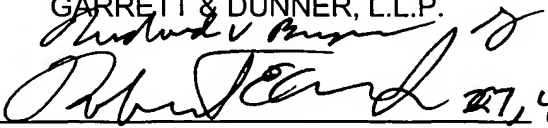
Applicants elect to prosecute Species II, identified by the Examiner as corresponding to Figure 5, without traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that the specification, at, e.g., page 19, lines 26-27, indicates that a sectional view of Figure 5 is to be consistent with Figure 1B. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-20 are readable on Figure 5.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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